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ess office of THE REPURLICAN R els, at which place all persons having busttions with the paper will call. Due tice will be given of the removal of the ess department to the new REPUBLICAN

TO-BAY'S NATIONAL REPUBLI-

THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN this morning is the largest single sheet newspaper in the strongest possible light, and the United States or in the world. It is unmistakably how unjust and unfounded larger than any single sheet paper printed in New York, larger than the Herald, the The situation of affairs, so far as the Tribune, the Times or the Journal of Commerce, which is the largest four-page paper We issue it to accommodate first of all

our readers, who expect and are entitled to all the news, and second, our business patrens, among whom are to be found the est most substantial and enterprising of our business men, our merchants auction cers bankers real estate brokers; in fact all the industrial classes of the city who sustain its trade and industry and represent its enterprise and wealth. The variety of been surpassed by Washington journal, and we point the question of the practicability of this this morning with water route. This board, which consists of s pride which will, we are certain, be pardoned as an evidence of the capacity and the resources of our new establishment. Not a line of the matter, which is sufficient

to fill an ordinary volume, was put in type before 7 o'clock last evening. To present it to our readers this morning required the laborious work of forty-five printers alone until 4 o'clock this morning, when the eight pages of the paper were cast stereotypers and transferred mammoth four-eylinder Hoe press, the largest ever made by that reing machines, and, last of all, to our efficient carriers and the active newsboys, who carry it into every avenue and street in the

misappropriation of the school fund as it was alleged there had been; that the schools are in debt to other branches of the government; that every lawful means have been exhausted to relieve the teachers; that alleged there had been; that the schools are in debt to other branches of the government and the man and the man and the man are the man to the present; that overy lawful means have been as the motive power and with the means of the present regime the payments of salaries, and so forth, to these faithful officials have been more regular than under the cold form of government, which the memorialists are holding tup as infinitely better that the distribution of the strength are not the possible to testimony of the Governor is straight as a die, and disposes of an finimenas amount of misrepresentation and alander which have filled the air during the last twelve months, and burdened the columns of the unfair and untruthful press in other cities. Mr. Bakert cleared up several points which were left doubtful in the proceedings of the day before, and the statements of Mr. Wilson are so clear and precise as to leave no doubt the memorialists acted, and from the general deversion of the few points which were very clear to the statements of the first power than the statements of the District to the schools.

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ties in the District can be directly traced.

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Senator Thurman, in the Senate yestersibility rests, if it rests anywhere, with the THE PROPOSED CENTRAL WATER the special board of engineers, ordered by the War Department, which assembled in Richmond the early part of last month, and traveled over the line of the James River for by the committee; the witnesses are all or nearly all in this city, and why tes thousand dollars should be required passes and Kanawha canal, in order to set at rest comprehension. We have no doubt that the committee will see that it is not used for General J. G. Barnard, Hon. B. H. Latrobe, General Q. A. Gilmore, Col. Wm. P. Craighill and Gen. G. Weitzel, assembles any but legitimate purposes; but the approagain in New York, we understand, on the encouragement to the class of loafers and bummers who asked to be summoned as 9th instant, to make up their report. We do not know what the report will be, but we hope it will settle definitively the queswitnesses at the last investigation merely tion involved. All the previous reports of that they may draw witness fees, and who the engineers who have examined this route have been very favorable, including those of the United States engineers, who investigated the subject, under the superintendence of Colonel Craighill, in 1870. As there ence of Colonel Craighill, in 1870. As there were still skeptics, however, the friends of the most the work solicited that a board of the most eminent army and civil engineers in the country should be appointed, whose duty it should be to review the whole subject and re-examine the whole field, in order to destruct that they have not been able to blackmall the interrogateries of the little and the interrogateries of the little interrogateries of the li

With the Mississippi and the Ohio cleaned out, and six feet of water all the year, and the tax rate will have to be increased in our cotemporaries to examine that record for themselves. By it we stand or fall.

THE FIRST DEFEAT.

The first branch of the investigation into the affairs of the District was practically finished yesterday, viz., the inquiry into the management of the school fund, and invite thereto the attention of our readers, of Congress and of the public generally. Three witnesses were examined: the comptroller of the District, the Governor and the superintendent of the public schools. The evidence of each and every one of them is direct, clear and astisfactory, and will convince everylody, as it evidently convinced the committee, that the blame of the non-payment of the teachers lies not with the present District government; in fact, that it must be laid to the charge

two dollars and a half a year, and bring they will be laughed out of court.

twenty-five millions into the Treasury. We believe the committee begins to seaSuppose this were laid, and the same post that they have, through false repre-

memorialists acted, and from the general depression of the few obstructionists who were present, that they felt an overwhelming defeat. The whole case was ably and strongly presented. The counsel for the District brought out every point in the strongest possible light and should be captured by the present that the possible light and should be captured by the purchase of dutable articles. Many are of the opinion that counsel are canal open all the year, with the exception of one month. double the present tax on whisky and thereby raise seventy millions more to ex-pend in the opening of cheap water routes. TEN THOUSAND TO START WITH One strong argument in favor of this policy is the fact that when spirits paid two dollars tax it cost the consumer no more than it does now that it pays seventy cents. the District investigation, upon which mod-est proposition Senator Conkling made some very pertinent remarks, which will be found labor system of the county that is benefited very pertinent remarks, which will be found in other columns. It is really difficult to understand why so large a sum should be necessary to conduct an inquiry as the Senator New York and "under the very caves of of the Capitol." The alleged fraud and corruption which the committee have been directed to investigate occurred here; the District government has furnished, without transferred his troops to his works of internal improvement in time of recess and and internal contract of the country that is benefited by the prosecution of the public works. When labor is a dull market from private demand is just the time that the authorities of the nation should strive to keep it fully employed. The most sagacious statesmen of Europe have appreciated this directed to investigate occurred here; the any expense whatever to the General Gov.

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tax-lien certificates issued for the del taxes of 1871-79. When he had do

Q. What kind of debte were paid with them A. Any debts.
Q. Any debts whatsoever! A. Any vali Q. No matter for what purpose the debt had been created? A. Provided there was an appropriation for it and that it was all right and

contractor with the Board of Public Works? A. No, sir. I have nothing to do with the Board of Public Works. My office is as distinct from that as is the office of the Comptroller of th

carry it into every avenue and street in the city. The NATIONAL REPUBLICAN has won the first place in the journalism of the District, and it proposes to maintain it without regard to expense. The resources now at our command are unsurpassed by those of any office south of New York, and equal to any in that city, or in the world.

TO THE PRESS OF THE COUNTRY.

We appeal to the press of the country for fair play toward the capital of the Union Since the organization of the present District government, three years ago, its affairs have been examined into twice. The present is the third inquiry into alleged charges of fraud, corruption and mismanmonarchies of Europe, will not bear candid examination. What is intended by the ex-

great guas are to be rifled or smooth breech it within loaders, made, chespl cast-from or expansively of steel; who formed of homogeneous material, or " formed of homogeneous material, or "built up" of several kinds of metal, as with bands shrunk upon tubes. How to construct or utiline torpedoes is also an art or science, in its infacy, composed of thousands of details now invented or to be conceived and systematised hereafter. Our very existence as a sation may depend upon the intelligent solution of come of these problems before the expiration of this present Congress.

The retirm to speak payments may be delayed twenty years upon the recurrence of the layed twenty years upon the may happen to have a torpolo system perfected, is blow our ships out of water, or to have guue capable of sinking them or knocking down our brick and granite fosts.

Therefore is it not desirable that provision the Committee on Chilms reported a number of private calendar. A number of private calendar. A number of private calendar. Herefore is it not desirable that provision the Committee on War Claims and refer like manner.

Therefore is it not desirable that provision should be made without delay to restore promotions, and thereby encourage the zeal of those efficient officers, coupled with a condition prohibiting new appointments, and abolishing the grade of second fleutenant altogether; this being all that the officers of the ordinance corps ought to expect in the present condition of public affairs. But as much as the condition of public affairs. But as much as others were interdicted. this certainly seems to be due them and the service which they so honorably represent. We believe this is recommended by the Secretion, and the bill was passed.

Mr. WHEELER demanded the previous question, and the bill was passed.

Mr. CONGER, of Michigan, reported a bill to We believe this is recommended by the Secre-tary of War, and it is what he saks on the

MR. J. MACPARLAND, the Washingto

purpose!

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It is a survive to the country by pointing out exactly where the people's money has been expended, for although the expenditures and are published in detail cach year the list is so long that it is rarely examined by the people. He also made it to appear that our downline tered, and that, with all their scrutiny, the committee could find very lew, if say, unclease expenditures. This is exceedingly creditable to General Grant and the has examined by the beautiful to the committee could find very lew, if say, unclease expenditures. This is exceedingly creditable to General Grant and the has been on the beautiful to the survive of the potential to the facts pertaining all the facts pertaining all the facts pertaining to the affairs of the District. Should the memorialists and obstructionists afail to substantiate their charges, it will be because they are baseless, and not on account of our country by population on the part of the District. Why the assumption, in the fact instance? Out of the abundance of whose heart did the mouth of the honorable Samator speak?

THE CENTERNIAL.

As the discretization of the preventage is one affects afail to substantiate their charges, it will be because they are baseless, and not on account of our cause they are baseless, and not on account of any lack of disposition on the part of the District. Find the mouth of the honorable Samator speak?

THE CENTERNIAL.

As the discretization of the afairs of the proverments to be most thorough. Government cost, given the committee every facility for accertaining all the facts pertaining at the facts pertaining at the facts pertaining at the facts pertaining to the afairs of the District of the population of the afairs of the District of the prover and long the afairs of the District of the prover and the same fact that the facts pertaining at the facts pertaining at the facts pertaining at the facts pertaining at the facts pertaining correspondent of the Philadelphia Press, elegraphs to that paper as follows: any lack of disposition on the part of the District authorities to produce all the facts. Perhaps the best answer to these charges is to be found in the renovated capital, with its miles of paved streets, completely sewered, kept of paved streets, completely sewered, kept scrupping only clean and well lighted, the mar-THE CENTENNIAL.

As the discussion of the Centennial bill proceeds it becomes evident that the main objections urged against the project are frivolous in character, and not worthy any substantial recognition. The theory, constantly broached, that a democratic celebration should not be participated in by the monarchies of Europe, will not bear candid to the removated capital, with its miles of paved streets, completely sewered, kept scruming of all who visit Washington. But Governor for all who visit Washington. But Governor five and we have been produced. He has been fraud or management, the committee cannot bely discovering and exposing it. The indications are, however, that the obstructionals will fall in everything, except a large

On motion of Mr. AVERILL, the House-on-concurred in the Senate amendment to

case.

A letter from Helen M. Rarnard in relation to charges against J. H. Baker, Commissions of Pensions.

mities cannot help discovering and exposing it.

The indications are, however, that the obstructionists will fall in everything, except a large expenditure of the public money, to gratify their manis for investigations. For this cause the National Treasury never appears to be empty; but when it comes to a decent pension for the widow of a great soldier like General Mensis, the Government cannot afford it, and Congress hastens to guard the approaches to the public meany vaults."

Unually, when a criminal is placed to the deck, the burden of proof as to his guilt rests with the presention. We do not think the annuals of American or English jurisprodence will furnish an exception to this rule. The vilest murdayer is not compelled to criminate himself.

No judge who is it for his place will allow him.

House went into Committee of the Whole on the pair in the private calendar.

The fallowing bills were considered and ordered to be reported to the House:

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did not know them, and the

was "child-like and bland" at times other times it did not wear a saile, but rolled, and he pulled nervously at hi when anything in the conduct of the examina-tion occurred which did not seem to please him, and it occurred often, he would shrug his shoulders, and with a significant look turn to his side partner and whisper, then show his teeth, and then subside. Grouped together in the consequence watching each word as it was in session, and the aguarant grance them eschanged when any point which pleased them was developed, proved plainly that they has agreed to unite their forces in the contemptible fight in which they were engaged. During the

do such a thing.

Next came Collector Clephane, ing. For the relief ties enough to scare any party not quite so